

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 49, 50 and 57 will be pending in the application. The remaining claims have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter thereof.

In the Advisory Action that issued June 22, 2001, the Examiner indicated that claims 49, 50 and 57 would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment cancelling the non-allowable claims. (Claim 49 has been re-presented in this amendment, but includes the same amendments that were set forth in the reply filed June 7, 2001.) Accordingly, Applicants have complied with the Examiner's suggestion and respectfully request that the Examiner allow claims 49, 50, and 57 and that a patent issue in due course containing those claims.

Version with markings to show changes made:

IN THE CLAIMS:

49. (Amended) [The method of claim 48,]

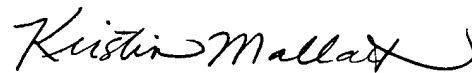
A method for preparing one or more particles of calcium phosphate having diameters between about 300 nm to about 4000 nm, comprising reacting a soluble calcium salt with a soluble phosphate salt, wherein the reacting comprises:

- (a) mixing an aqueous solution of calcium chloride with an aqueous solution of sodium citrate to form a mixture,
- (b) adding an aqueous solution [a] of sodium phosphate to the mixture to form a solution,
- (c) stirring the solution until particles of the desired size and comprising calcium phosphate are obtained.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111
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